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4. It is recommended that this method of strength accounting, as it pertains to budgetary ceilings in each of the Armed Services, be explored to determine its applicability to all Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps officers for whose pay and allowances the Central Intelligence Agency will reimburse during Fiscal Year 1954. It is not intended that this recommendation alter the officer grade limitations imposed on military pay and allowances in the Department of Defense budget by current or future legislation. A serious morale problem is expected unless those officers can be assured that they will participate in promotion programs on the same terms as their contemporaries.

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